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SUBJECT: INTER-AMERICAN COMMISSION OF WOMEN (IACW)

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1. DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN UNOFFICIALLY NOTIFIED THAT GOH MAY BE EXPLORING THE POSSIBILITY OF PRESENTING A CANDIDATE FOR PRESIDENT (CHAIRMAN) OF THE IACW AT THE COMMISSION'S NINETEENTH ASSEMBLY SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 1978 IN BOLIVIA. IT IS ALSO THE DEPARTMENT'S UNDERSTANDING THAT HAITI IS BEING ENCOURAGED TO PRESENT A CANDIDATE TO STOP THE U.S. CANDIDATE, CARMEN DELGADO VOTAW. EFFORTS TO STOP MRS. VOTAW APPEAR TO COME FROM IACW EXECUTIVE SECRETARY.

2. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO FOLLOW-UP ON THE REQUEST FOR GOH SUPPORT FOR MRS. VOTAW MADE IN REFERENCED CABLE. IF GOH RESPONSE IS NON-COMMITTAL, EMBASSY MAY, IF DEEMED APPROPRIATE, INQUIRE IF GOH DOES IN FACT INTEND TO PRESENT A CANDIDATE FOR IACW PRESIDENT. MRS. VOTAW'S CANDIDACY NOW HAS THIRTEEN FORMAL AND INFORMAL PROMISES OF SUPPORT,
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